

107TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 1448

To clarify the tax treatment of bonds and other obligations issued by the  
Government of American Samoa.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 4, 2001

Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on the Judiciary and Resources, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

SEPTEMBER 6, 2001

The Committee on Ways and Means discharged

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## A BILL

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issued by the Government of American Samoa.

1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. CLARIFICATION OF TAX TREATMENT OF BONDS**  
2 **AND OTHER OBLIGATIONS ISSUED BY GOV-**  
3 **ERNMENT OF AMERICAN SAMOA.**

4 (a) **AUTHORITY TO ISSUE CERTAIN PRIVATE ACTIV-**  
5 **ITY BONDS.**—The Government of American Samoa may  
6 cause to be issued qualified bonds (within the meaning of  
7 section 141(e)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986).

8 (b) **EXEMPTION OF ALL BONDS FROM INCOME TAX-**  
9 **ATION BY STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS.**—

10 (1) **IN GENERAL.**—The interest on any bond or  
11 other obligation issued by or on behalf of the Gov-  
12 ernment of American Samoa shall be exempt from  
13 taxation by the Government of American Samoa and  
14 the governments of any of the several States, the  
15 District of Columbia, any territory or possession of  
16 the United States, and any subdivision thereof.

17 (2) **EXEMPTION APPLICABLE ONLY TO INCOME**  
18 **TAXES.**—The exemption provided by paragraph (1)  
19 shall not apply to gift, estate, inheritance, legacy,  
20 succession, or other wealth transfer taxes.

21 (c) **CONFORMING REPEAL OF SUPERSEDED PROVI-**  
22 **SION.**—Section 202 of Public Law 98–454 (48 U.S.C.  
23 1670) is repealed.

24 (d) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—This Act shall apply to obli-  
25 gations issued after the date of the enactment of this Act.